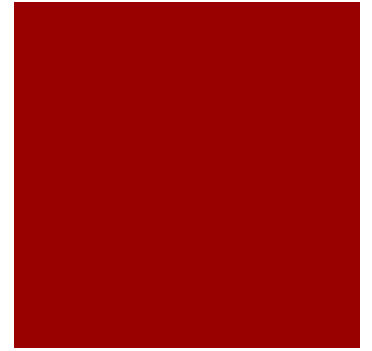


John 5:1-15



Do You
Want to
Get Well?

Issues?



Age

Heredity

Obesity

Heart Issues

Blood Pressure

Operations

Dementia

Alzheimer's

Allergies

Virus and/or Flu

Injuries

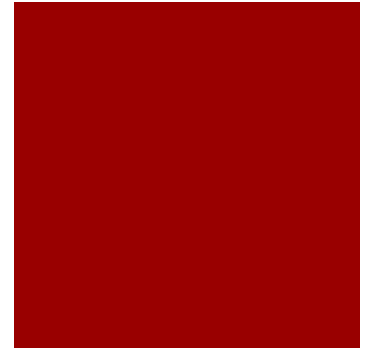
Nerve Problems

Depression

Anxiety

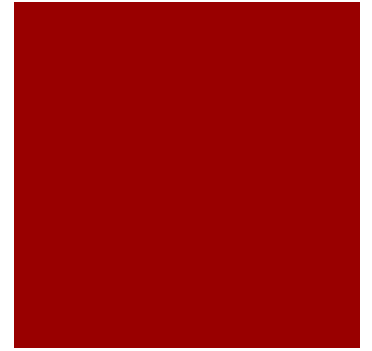
The greatest issue?

THE SITE



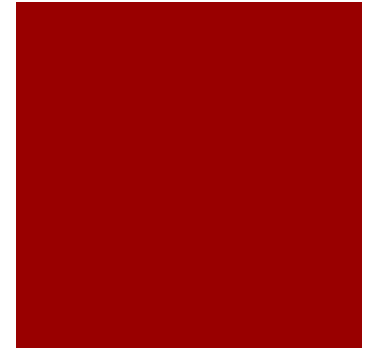
vv. 1-2 Some time later,
Jesus went up to Jerusalem
for a feast of the Jews. Now
there is in Jerusalem near the
Sheep Gate, which in
Aramaic is called Bethesda
and which is surrounded by
five covered colonnades.

The Occupant(s)



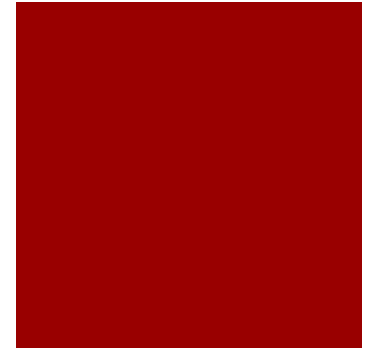
vv. 3,5 Here a great number of disabled people used to lie-the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty eight years.

What's The Point?



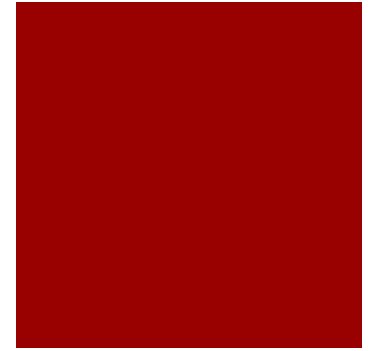
v.6 When Jesus was
seeing him lying there and
having learned that he
had been in this condition
for a long time, he asked
him, "Do you want to get
well?"

What's The Problem?



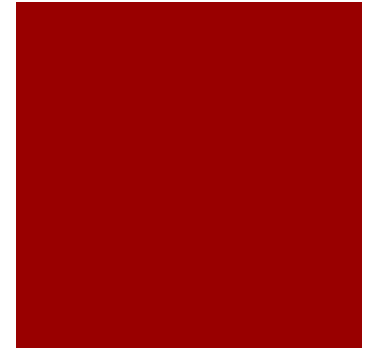
v.7 "Sir," the invalid
replied, "I have no one to
help me into the pool
when the water is stirred.
While I am trying to get in,
someone else goes down
ahead of me."

The Great Physician!



v.8-9 “Then Jesus said
to him, “**Get up! Pick up
your mat and walk.**” At
once the man was
cured; he picked up his
mat and walked.”

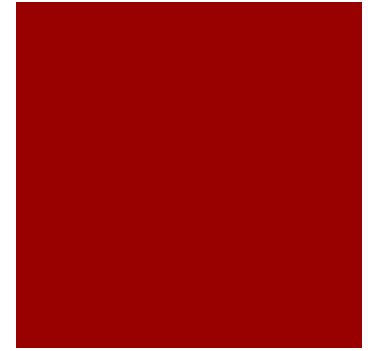
The Real Issue?



vv. 9-11 The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, and so the Jews said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat."

But he replied, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.'"

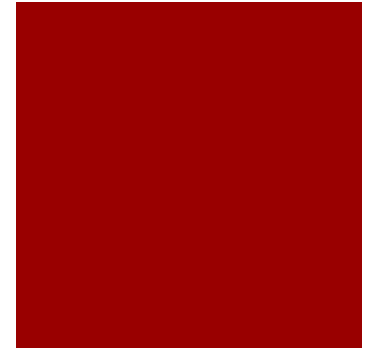
Who's The "Teller?"



vv.12-13 So they asked him,
"Who is this fellow who told
you to pick it up and walk?"

The man who had been
healed had no idea who it
was, for Jesus had slipped
away into the crowd that was
there.

The Cure and "The Lure"



vv.14-15 Later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "See, you are well again. Stop sinning or something worse may happen to you."

The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.



Messages From “The Messenger”

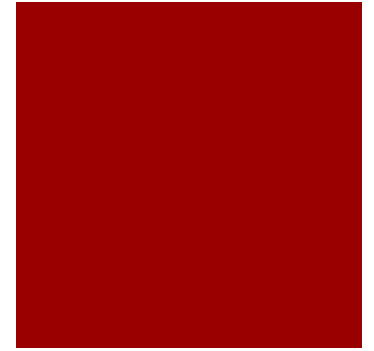


What Feast?

Sheep gate?

Bethesda?

Disabled people?



One?

Invalid?

38 years?

Long time condition?

Do you want a cure?



No one to help me!

I am trying!

“Jesus said it!

I believe it!

That settles it!”



The Mat?
Or
The Matter?

The Divine Directive

